

Table 10. Percent Error for Net Immigration Forecasts of the US: 1963 to 1999

[In percents]

| Base Year | Percent Error (%) of Forecast Period | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1st | 5th | 10th | 15th | 20th |
| IMMIGRANTS (net of emigration) | | | | | |
| 1963 | (5.36) | (24.62) | (26.29) | (48.63) | (49.34) |
| 1966 | (3.38) | (13.61) | (6.76) | (42.00) | (39.51) |
| 1969 | (22.18) | 2.04 | (35.06) | (32.11) | (43.82) |
| 1970 | (13.61) | (23.81) | (52.66) | (38.32) | |
| 1972 | (1.72) | (14.89) | (32.77) | (39.92) | (60.28) |
| 1974 | (23.81) | (35.06) | (32.11) | (43.82) | (50.66) |
| 1976 | (14.89) | (42.00) | (39.51) | (58.34) | (57.32) |
| 1982 | (24.01) | (32.41) | (55.31) | (53.94) | |
| 1986 | (10.11) | (44.89) | (48.31) | | |
| 1991 | (12.62) | (6.09) | | | |
| 1992 | (0.29) | (9.92) | | | |
| 1994 | (4.42) | (4.22) | | | |
| NET IMMIGRATION RATE | | | | | |
| 1963 | (8.02) | (25.79) | (27.83) | (51.01) | (52.97) |
| 1966 | (4.35) | (14.31) | (9.57) | (45.12) | (44.59) |
| 1969 | (22.23) | 1.94 | (35.63) | (33.69) | (46.03) |
| 1970 | (13.28) | (24.13) | (53.60) | (40.97) | |
| 1972 | (1.11) | (14.40) | (32.63) | (40.48) | (60.59) |
| 1974 | (21.81) | (34.21) | (31.81) | (44.42) | (48.56) |
| 1976 | (15.62) | (39.98) | (38.13) | (57.90) | (54.67) |
| 1982 | (24.82) | (30.71) | (54.35) | (53.36) | |
| 1986 | (11.16) | (44.20) | (47.87) | | |
| 1991 | (11.23) | (6.50) | | | |
| 1992 | (0.56) | (9.46) | | | |
| 1994 | (4.94) | (4.36) | | | |

Note: Negative values are denoted in parenthesis.

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